

State Senator Joe Crisco's LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

ENERGY ASSISTANCE & CONSERVATION

One-stop source for home-heating assistance and energy links:
www.senatedems.ct.gov/Energy

Save on Your Electric Bill

Choose Your Electric Supplier

The rate you pay for the generation portion of your electric bill may be lowered. **1-888-922-3782**

The **UI Helps** program helps income-eligible customers reduce their bills by making their homes more energy-efficient. **1-877-947-3873**

Home Energy Solutions provides energy audits for a subsidized fee of \$75. **1-877-947-3873**

Furnace Upgrades

The **Energy Conservation Loan Program** provides low-or no-interest loans for energy-efficient upgrades including furnaces and boilers, thermal windows and doors and insulation. **860-233-5165 ext. 2019 or 2023; www.chif.org**

State Sales Tax Exemptions

Connecticut provides sales tax exemptions for energy-efficient products including:

- Insulation
- Caulking
- Doors
- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Furnaces
- Geothermal heat pumps
- Programmable thermostats
- Water heaters
- Windows

HEALTH CARE ISSUES UPDATE

Building upon my legislative achievements regarding the early detection of breast cancer:

Mammograms: No Change in Current Practice Recommended

I worked with my colleagues to convene a panel of physicians and other health-care experts to advise women on the best practices for early detection of breast cancer. Our experts advised women to continue to practice self examination and obtain yearly mammograms beginning at age 40.

Breast Density

For women with dense breast tissue, the mammogram may not reveal cancerous tissue. That is why women should consult with their primary care provider about the need for further screening using ultrasound or MRI.



Dear Neighbor,

I was pleased to visit the Derby Day Care Center and observe the outstanding programs offered to young children.

I strongly believe that high-quality early education and child care is an investment today that pays significant dividends tomorrow.

I spoke with Derby residents who commute to work each day on the Waterbury Branch Line about the Department of Transportation's recommendations for improvements to transit service. They are encouraged by the plans and agree that such improvements would attract new riders. More commuters on the Waterbury Line would mean less congestion along Route 8 and local roads—an important benefit to Derby residents.

Sincerely,

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